## SENATE BILL 2450

## By Akbari

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, relative to medicaid expansion.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-126, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

The governor is authorized to expand medicaid eligibility in accordance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Pub. L. No. 111-148). The governor is authorized to negotiate with the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services with respect to the terms of medicaid expansion. The governor shall ensure that during such negotiation, an emphasis is placed on increasing resources and health care in rural and marginalized communities in this state.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.